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## CLAIMS:

What is claimed as new and desired to be protected by Letters Patent is:

1. A method for diagnosing tumorigenicity comprising the steps of: measuring the level of polynucleotide encoding human GP88 in tumorigenic tissue extracts or biological fluids; measuring the level of polynucleotide encoding human GP88 in corresponding normal or peripheral tissues; and diagnosing tumorigenicity by determining whether the measured level of polynucleotide encoding human GP88 in said tumorigenic tissue extracts or biological fluids is higher than the level in corresponding normal or peripheral tissues by an amount sufficient to indicate tumorigenicity.
2. A method according to claim 1 wherein said polynucleotide is mRNA.
3. The method according to claim 2 wherein said mRNA is measured by Northern blot analysis.
4. The method according to claim 2 wherein said mRNA is measured by an RNase protection assay.
5. The method according to claim 2 wherein said mRNA is measured by a Reverse Transcriptase-Polymerase Chain Reaction.
6. The method according to claim 2 wherein said mRNA is measured by Northern blot analysis with a human GP88 cDNA probe.
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8. The method according to claim 2 wherein said mRNA is measured by a Reverse Transcriptase-Polymerase Chain Reaction with a human GP88 cDNA probe.
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12. The method according to claim 9 wherein said cDNA probe is labeled.
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20. The method according to claim 14 wherein said label is selected from the group consisting of enzymatic, radioisotopic, fluorescent, and chemical labels.
21. The method according to claim 1 wherein said tumorigenic tissue is human tissue.
22. The method according to claim 1 wherein said normal or peripheral tissue is human tissue.
23. The method according to claim 21 wherein said tumorigenic tissue is selected from the group consisting of adipose, brain, testes, kidney, and liver tissue.
24. The method according to claim 22 wherein said normal or peripheral tissue is selected from the group consisting of adipose, brain, testes, kidney, and liver tissue.
25. The method according to claim 21 wherein said tumorigenic tissue is breast tissue.
26. The method according to claim 21 wherein said tumorigenic tissue is ovarian tissue.
27. The method according to claim 22 wherein said normal or peripheral tissue is breast tissue.
28. The method according to claim 22 wherein said normal or peripheral tissue is ovarian tissue.
29. The method according to claim 1 wherein said normal or peripheral tissue is breast tissue from an individual patient.
30. The method according to claim 29 wherein said tumorigenic tissue is breast tissue from said patient.
31. The method according to claim 1 wherein said normal or peripheral tissue is ovarian tissue from an individual patient.
32. The method according to claim 31 wherein said tumorigenic tissue is ovarian tissue from said patient.
33. A method for diagnosing tumorigenicity in human breast tissue comprising the steps of: measuring the level of mRNA encoding human GP88 in human tumorigenic breast tissue with a GP88 cDNA probe; measuring the level of polynucleotide

encoding human GP88 in corresponding normal breast tissue; and diagnosing tumorigenicity by determining whether the measured level of polynucleotide encoding human GP88 in said tumorigenic human breast tissue is higher than the level in corresponding normal human breast tissue by an amount sufficient to indicate tumorigenicity.

34. The method according to claim 33 wherein said cDNA probe is SEQ ID NO: 16.

35. A method for diagnosing tumorigenicity in human ovarian tissue comprising the steps of: measuring the level of mRNA encoding human GP88 in human tumorigenic ovarian tissue with a GP88 cDNA probe; measuring the level of polynucleotide encoding human GP88 in corresponding normal ovarian tissue; and diagnosing tumorigenicity by determining whether the measured level of polynucleotide encoding human GP88 in said tumorigenic ovarian breast tissue is higher than the level in corresponding normal human ovarian tissue by an amount sufficient to indicate tumorigenicity.

36. The method according to claim 35 wherein said cDNA probe is SEQ ID NO 16.